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| CONTINUED PROSECUTION APPLICATION (CPA) REQUEST TRANSMITTAL Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing (Only for Continuation or Divisional Applications Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d)) | | Docket No. 044198.0000 |
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This is a request for filing a ☒ continuation, or ☐ divisional application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d), (continued prosecution application (CPA)) of prior Application No. 09/027,439 filed on February 20, 1998, and entitled:

Compositions and Methods for Differentiating Among *Shigella* Species and *Shigella* from *E. Coli* Species

The above-identified prior non-provisional application in which no payment of the issue fee, abandonment of, or termination of proceedings has occurred, is hereby expressly abandoned as of the filing date of this new application. Please use all contents of the prior application file wrapper, including the drawings, as the basic papers for the new application.

1. ☐ Enter the unentered amendment previously filed on _____ under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 in the prior non-provisional application.
2. ☒ A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
3. ☐ This application is being filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior application, 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d)(4).
 - a. ☐ **Delete** the following inventor(s) named in the prior non-provisional application:
 - b. ☐ The inventor(s) to be deleted are set forth on a separate sheet attached hereto.
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- b. ☐ Please remove as power of attorney:
 c. ☐ Please add as power of attorney:
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 e. ☐ PTO-1449
 f. ☐ Copies of IDS Citations

5. The fee for this application is calculated as follows:

| CLAIMS AS FILED | | | | | | |
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| | Claims Filed | Basic Fee Claims | Extra | Rate | | Amount |
| | | | | Large Entity | Small Entity | |
| Total Claims | | 20 | 0 | \$ 18.00 | \$ 9.00 | \$ 0.00 |
| Independent Claims | 3 | 3 | 0 | \$ 80.00 | \$ 40.00 | \$ 0.00 |
| First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claims | | | | \$ 270.00 | \$ 135.00 | \$ 0.00 |
| BASIC FEE | | | | \$ 710.00 | \$ 355.00 | \$ 355.00 |
| Extension Fee: a) | One Month | | | \$ 110.00 | \$ 55.00 | \$ 445.00 |
| | b) Two Months | | | \$ 390.00 | \$ 195.00 | |
| | c) Three Months | | | \$ 890.00 | \$ 445.00 | |
| | d) Four Months | | | \$ 1390.00 | \$ 695.00 | |
| | e) Five Months | | | \$ 1890.00 | \$ 945.00 | |
| TOTAL FILING FEE | | | | | | \$ 800.00 |

- a. ☒ Small entity statement is claimed.
 b. ☐ Small entity statement is enclosed.
 c. ☐ A small entity statement was filed in prior non-provisional Application No. 09/027,439 and such status is still proper and desired.
 d. ☐ Small entity status is no longer claimed.
6. ☒ Other: _____

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9. ☐ The prior application is assigned of record to: _____, recorded on _____ at Reel _____, Frame _____.
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Respectfully submitted,

By: Frank H. Portugal
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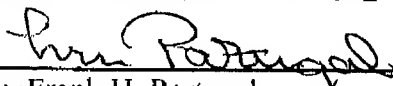
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- 1) CPA Request transmittal (3 pages)
- 2) Preliminary Amendment (2 pages)
- 3) Credit Card Payment Forms (3 pages) for
 - a) 3 month Extension of time
 - b) Basic filing fee
 - c) other required fees
- 4) Receipt for facsimile transmitted CPA (1 page)

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